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FOR: INFORMATION PROCESSOR AND PROCESSING METHOD, AND

INFORMATION STORAGE MEDIUM

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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SIR:

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication of allowability of the claimed invention. In response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance in the Notice of Allowance of May 19, 2008. Applicants respectfully submit the following comments.

In the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance on page 4 of the Notice of Allowance mailed May 19, 2008, paragraph 3 states in part regarding Claim 1 that the references do not:

... anticipate or render obvious on information processor apparatus which checks out a content to an external device connected thereto or checks in the content from an external device connected thereto, comprising as a whole, a display device displaying a title corresponding to the content; a content checkout setting device simultaneously setting a first plurality of selected contents to be checked out to the external device prior to checking out the first plurality of selected contents, a contents checkout device configured to simultaneously checking out the first plurality of selected contents set by the content checkout setting device, displaying a number of possible checkouts for at least one content from the plurality of content and wherein the number of possible checkouts represents a number that is incremented by one when at least one content from the first plurality of selected contents is checked back into the apparatus.

The above comment does not appear to be accurate with respect to the independent Claim 1. For example, Claim 1 recites a "information processing apparatus," a "display means," a "content checkout setting means," and a "checkpoint means" and not an "information processor apparatus," a "display device," a "content checkout setting device," and a "contents checkout device," respectively. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the above quoted statement does not apply to independent Claim 1 (and claims dependent therefrom).

Respectfully Submitted,

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